1 JUDGE RICHARD A. JONES 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 4 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 5 6 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, No. 2:23-cr-00017-RAJ 7 Plaintiff. ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO 8 CONTINUE TRIAL AND PRETRIAL v. MOTIONS DEADLINE 9 STEPHEN A. BAIRD, 10 Defendant. 11 THE COURT has considered Stephen Baird's motion to continue the trial date 12 and pretrial motions deadline and finds that: 13 (a) taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a failure to grant a 14 continuance in this case would deny counsel for the defendant the reasonable time 15 necessary for effective preparation due to counsel's need for more time to review the 16 evidence, consider possible defenses, and gather evidence material to the defense, as set 17 forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv); and 18 (b) a failure to grant such a continuance in this proceeding would likely result in 19 a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i); and 20 (c) the additional time requested is a reasonable period of delay, as the defendant 21 has requested more time to prepare for trial, to investigate the matter, to gather evidence 22 material to the defense, and to consider possible defenses; and 23 (d) the ends of justice will best be served by a continuance, and the ends of 24 justice outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in any speedier trial, 25 as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A); and 26

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(e) the additional time requested between the current trial date of January 29, 2024, and the new trial date is necessary to provide counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial, considering counsel's schedule and all of the facts set forth above.

IT IS ORDERED that the motion (Dkt. 38) is GRANTED. The trial date in this matter shall be continued to June 24, 2024. All pretrial motions, including motions in limine, shall be filed no later than May 2, 2024.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period of delay from the date of this order to the new trial date of June 24, 2024, is excludable time pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A) and (h)(7)(B)(iv).

DATED this 27th day of October, 2023.

The Honorable Richard A. Jones United States District Judge

Richard A Jones